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#### CARTOONS AND COMMENTS.

ZE think Mr. Jefferson Davis, or the remains known by that name, ought to have a large pension from the government of the United States. He is worth any dozen honest, decent, energetic patriots for keeping up the spirit of loyalty and eradicating from the Southern heart any lingering senti-mental attachment for the "lost cause." The mad dream of reviving the rebellion, or of living

to all eternity an "unreconstructed" people within a people, might have had a certain ghastly dignity about it if it had not been for Mr. Jeff Davis's course since the war. The cause was dear to many embittered spirits-it might have remained a vital force, an eternal menace to the nation, if the leader had been any other than Jeff Davis. But he crushes it down with the dead weight of a corpse-the metaphor is not perfect, though: a corpse has sense enough to know when it is dead.

Mr. Jeff Davis, historian and ex-traitor, stops in the compilation of his monumental record of the Rebellion to explain how it was that he happened to slip into his wife's "Raglan" on that unpleasant morning when the strong hand of the nation was stretched out to take the offender into bodily custody. This is Mr. Jeff Davis's idea of a dignified attitude. It matters not, of course, whether Mr. Jeff Davis is guilty of a dirty little equivocation, or whether his thinnish looking story is to be accepted as truth. We only wish to call attention to the fact that when Napoleon was an "unreconstructed" captive, his chances of gathering his countrymen around him once again were not impaired by the necessity of explaining how it was that the English found him entangled in Marie Louise's garments. The head of a nation should keep out of such entanglements. Napoleon knew that. Jeff Davis did not. There are other points of difference between the two.

Really, when we come to look at it, we owe Mr. Jeff Davis a huge debt of gratitude. He has been of much more use to us than he would have been if we had hung him on a sour-appletree, according to our original programme. He fosters good feeling between the North and the South by making the remnant of the irreconcilable party ridiculous. It would pay us to make an allowance for his expenses for running around to county fairs delivering "unreconstructed" speeches, and for writing histories diversified by personal explanations. He is a neat contrast to the grand figure of Lincoln neat contrast to the grand figure of Lincoln enshrined in the people's memory, and Southerner and Northerner, after laughing at the live jackass, will turn with deeper love and reverence to thoughts of the dead Hero.

The period known as the dog days is not very far off. It is usually associated with sweltering weather and the indulgence of the festive cur in the luxury of hydrophobia. As matters look now, the dog days of 1881 will be of mighty poor quality—that is, so far as the Summer hotel proprietor is concerned. The landlord has made elaborate preparations for the Summer visitor; but he cometh not. A regiment of waiters is ready to receive him, the table is covered with the brightest of crystal and the snowiest of table cloths; but it is as if it were not. Old Probabilities, or rather Old Indicator, is getting off on us all his remaining stock of Winter, and is no doubt saving his Summer for next year.

The extraordinary fickleness of June has made everybody reckless, except the Summer hotel man. No one cares very much now if the sun shines or not. The year will have to be got through in some way, and cool weather to many people means less expense. But the Summer hotel man cannot take matters quite so easily. He has sunk money and he wants to get some return for it. It is questionable if we shall hear anything more about whom he will and whom he will not receive as guests. Jews, children, Chinese and Negroes can alle have their little revenge to save him from bankruptcy; the Summer hotel proprietor will be "dis-enthused," and he will be constrained to take anybody or anything that offers.

But weather or no weather, the regular dog days are coming and the unfortunate curs must receive attention, else what is the object of appointing dog-catchers? They must have dogs to catch; but there are several political animals of this species that we should like to see captured and disposed of in the usual manner of course, under Mr. Bergh's supervision. How nice it would be if we could get rid of the virtuous Sessions and the more than virtuous Bradley, and of the willful and silly Conkling!

With what joyous satisfaction would we put a muzzle on the garrulous Grant previous to his asphyxiation by drowning, according to regulation! Then we should have something to say to Vice-President Chester A. Arthur in his canine capacity. Mayor Grace would secure the recreant Police Commissioners; Postmaster James would look after the Star route robbers. If together with all these we could add the majority of the members of both houses of the legislature of the State; this dog-catching convention would result in ridding us of a great deal of bad rubbish and do much to purify the political atmosphere.

While Postmaster-General James is so busy with reforms in his department, he will do well to change the mode of dealing with insufficiently-stamped letters. The error of affixing a two instead of a three-cent stamp is so likely to be made by anyone who has a large correspondence, that it is desirable for the benefit of the entire community that the consequences of such error should be made as little embarrassing as possible. At present all insufficiently-stamped letters are taken to the Dead Letter Office at Washington, and thence a notification is sent to the addressee, requesting him to forward the amount unpaid, and upon re-ceipt of this and after the usual official delay, he will obtain his letter-which has been unnecessarily opened.

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Recently an instance of this kind came under our notice in a letter mailed in this city and intended to be delivered at Bay Ridge, L. I., a distance from the N. Y. P. O. of about eight miles. A two-cent stamp was affixed and the letter posted on Friday; on the next Tuesday the addressee received an official form stating that a letter for him was held at Washington, there being one cent due thereon. He was requested to remit the amount in a postage stamp, which he accordingly did, the cost of sending the one cent being three cents. It was not till the Fri day afternoon that the long-delayed letter was delivered.

It had been opened, and had an official stamp refastening it. There had been no necessity for such opening. Only the addressee had been communicated with, and it would have been time enough to have found out who the sender was, after sufficient period had been allowed for the addressee to pay the lacking sum. Now the government, instead of carrying that letter eight miles, carried it more than four hundred miles, and one of their own communications two hundred. To this must be added the ex-pense of clerical work. How much simpler it would have been to have delivered the letter to the local postmaster, debiting him with the deficiency, and making him collect from the addressee? If some extra expense were entailed by this plan, it would be defrayed by charging double the deficiency. The addressee would even then save two cents, a week's delay, and the annoyance of having his letter read. The system we have indicated has long been suc-cessfully used in England, and its adoption here would be beneficial to the public and remunerative to the government.

#### THE UNSALTED GENERATION.



The warm weather brings out, besides flies, mosquitoes and June-bugs, and other unpleasant insects, a peculiarly disagreeable variety of the

ubiquitous-unsalted generation.

This is the time when the hard-working business men travel to and from town every day, between business and their families. It is not always a pleasant thing to make a railroad journey of half-an hour or an hour, in the morning after a hasty breakfast, or in the evening when a man wants his dinner. It is quite bat enough to be snut up in a stuffy car with all manner of people, and to sit bolt upright on an uncomfortable seat while you are jolted over miles of ill-ballasted road-bed.

To have the unsalted generation follow you even there with its annoyances is screwing down the discomfort a little too tight.

But the cars are a fine field for the objectionable young animals of the cub species. prefer the smoking-car for their basis of operations; but they have no objection to owning the whole train.

Up at the top of these remarks you may see some of the unsalted making themselves pleasant to their fellow-passengers.

They generally begin work by talking loudly to each other, for the benefit of everybody within fifty feet of them. The conversation

runs something like this:
"I say, I saw Wash to-day."

"Didjer ask him about Buttsy? He he he!" [a titter like an accordeon trying to laugh bass,]
"Ha ha ha!" [a sound as if somebody was trying to jerk a treble out of a trombone.

"Ha ha ha!"

"Guess Buttsy gave him enough that time!" "Wash was too fresh."

"Oh, but that was a fearful grind on Mac!"

"Buttsy thought he'd made a mash." "I was glad of it; I told Mac, says I, 'I'm glad,' I told him."

Naa?"

"Take my dying oath I did."

"Ha ha ha! Oh, that was low down on Mac."

" Didjer see Nelse?"

" No.

"No. Was Nelse there?"
"Yes, Nelse was there. He he he!"

"Ha ha ha! ha ha! Well, if that ain't the richest! Well, I swear. Did Nelse bite?" "I d'no. I didn't see him bite."

"Ha ha ha! Well, if that ain't a regular pudding!"

"He he he!" "Ha ha ha!"

And so on for half the journey. The attention of the entire car-load is fastened upon them. Old gentlemen lay down their newspapers and gaze, more in wonder than in anger, at the disturbers of the peace. It is impossible to read. Right in the middle of the cable news or the Herald P. I. column the unwilling ear catches fragments of mystic confidences about Buttsy and Wash, and fifty or sixty peo-ple who would like to be minding their own business are obliged to hang with bated breath upon the lips of the young gentlemen whose duty it is to answer the momentous question whether or no Nelse did bite.

By this time one of two things happens. Either the youths yearn for a wider opportunity for cussedness, and go forward to the smoking car to seek it; or else someone shuts them up. This latter blessed consummation is infrequent. But now and then it happens that there is a cool, taciturn, respectable yet tough American on board—a man from the Mississippi, perhaps -who stands it as long as he can and then shifts the tobacco in his mouth, and says: "Give us a rest, there!" in a tone that settles the matter.

But this blessed angel is not often on hand; and as a rule the unsalted adjourn to the smoking-car, and there exhaust their ingenuity in worrying the other travelers. There are lots of disagreeable things you can do in a smok-You can fence with walking-sticks across the seats occupied by quiet and weary people; you can throw paper wads about; you can stick your head out of the window and chaff the people along the road—you can make a beast of yourself in many beastly ways.

Only if you do, and if you are one of the unsalted generation, look out that some day an angered traveling populace does not arise and pitch your whole company out of a thou-sand car windows from one end of the United

States to another.

THE youthful swell is mad and wild, His very soul with sorrow puffs Like throats of kids who have the croup; In fact, the youthful swell is riled When his immaculate lily cuffs Slide down into his chicken soup.

Now people to the ocean go To spend a happy week or so; And they are not extremely happy When lobsters grab them by the toe.

HE sat on the sunny dock Reading the latest version; But he rather felt a shock When he got a wild immersion; It almost cut life's nodus Gordian And all but yanked him over Jord-i-an.

In spite of all that Vennor says,
We're going to have our little sweltersThe happy poet calls these days
Collar melters.

#### Puckenings.

"Нот?"

"Well, I should rejoice to shiver!"

THE oil that most persons take for their health now-Coney Ile.

IT is not often that Parisians let Americans take any money away from them. We are glad that Foxhall has made so good a beginning.

A YOUNG lady bearing the aristocratic cog-nomen of Jardine recently deserted her lover, because in an impassioned sonnet he made her name rhyme with "sardine."

A MAN who has been through the mill says that chowder sharpens the appetite. This, we believe, is owing to the fact that in his last plateful he swallowed a razor strop.

WHAT A GODSEND for the British comic papers would Mr. Depew be if he were an English politician. The London Punch could make a joke on deputed and deputy every week for the next five years.

THE life insurance companies intend to raise the yearly premiums of all their customers living in the twenty-ninth precinct of New York City. Captain Williams is back again to his old battle-ground.

THE Herald P. I. man is of the opinion that gold dust on ladies' hair bothers their dancing partners; but he might have added that gold dust in their pockets is what everlastingly takes them by storm, and gets away with them.

MEXICO is indignant over the proposed increase of quarantine at New Orleans. This is unreasonable. Why should Mexico demand free trade in her yellow fever when France has to pay enormous duties on her champagne and

CHEAP-straw bail; cheaper-straw hats; cheapest-strawberries. But, to take the wind out of the sails of any malicious contemporary, the writer of this gladly admits that the straw in his head is so plentiful as to force him to sell at the cheapest rates.

THE New England æsthete may be analyzed and labeled as follows:-

A yallery greenery Lover of scenery Boston baked beanery Man.

"LILY-WORSHIPFUL MURMURS" is the highly æsthetic description which a Kalamazoo satirist applies to a poet who recently, in a dithyrambic ode, remarked that

No mere mock roach Is the cock roach.

ONE of the most shining lights of the Philadelphia detective force has positively declared that the Bradley-Sessions Investigating Committee, in tracing back the celebrated three \$500 bills, and the not less celebrated five \$100 bills, so far as possible, will certainly find that they emanated from the U.S. Treasury. They are anxious now in Philadelphia to make him chief of the whole detective force.

IT is a legend at the Swedish court, that at the time Bernadotte first arrived at Stockholm, he one day asked a courtier:

"Tänker du ej gå på balen i afton?"
"Nej, inte i afton."

"Kanske en annan afton?"
"God afton!"

And he lit out. (Och han af-dunstade.)

#### PUCK.

#### FAMILIAR DIALOGUES.

FOR THE RELIEF OF AN EXASPER-ATED POPULACE.

Dialogue VII .- With a Photographer.

CITIZEN.—Are you ready to take the imperial photograph of me, for which you appointed a sitting to-day?

PHOTOGRAPHER .- [ You know what he would

say.]
C.—You made the appointment two months

C.—No, I don't want a new cabinet upright; I want a plain old-style imperial.

C .- I haven't any use for an oblong Rembrandt effect gilt-edged card, either.

C.--No; but I have a cousin in Kalamazoo who might like to have a full-length crayon portrait of himself. I'll give you his address, any time you're moving to Kalamazoo.

C .- I want to be taken full on - front face.

C .- Of course I'd look better in profile; but

then I shouldn't have the pleasure of seeing you over the top of that machine of yours.

P.—....... C.—Yes, a three-quarter view would suit me very well; only you will have to add another quarter to it before I pay for it. I'm here after a front view.

C .- A front view may bring out my nose; but so long as it doesn't bring it out sufficiently to crack the glass in the camera you'll have to stand it.

front of the landscape with the Grecian temple and the sad seawaves? Not much I won't. Do you think I want to be taken for an advertisement of a panorama?

P.—. C.—Shall you put one of those cast-iron skeletons behind my head? Yes, if you think I am suffering from St. Vitus's dance or D. T.

C.—Will I assume a pleasant expression? Of course. I'm feeling just like it.

\* 202 got to do with me?

C .- That's myself, is it? When was it taken?

C.—Just now, eh? Well, Phote, I'll call for that picture about the middle of next week.

Dialogue VIII .- With a Tailor.

CITIZEN. - Please let me have a plain suit off that piece of goods.

TAILOR .- [The regular thing.] C. -I know that piece is cheap goods. That's the reason I want it.

T.-...

C.-I know it won't wear me as well as a better piece. I don't want it to wear; I want to hang it up and look at it.

C .- I am glad to hear that blu serges are fashionable this summer. I only hope the distinction will not make the blue serges too proud.

C .- Certainly, I'll let you show me some other goods, if you have the time to spare. But we'd better make an appointment out of busi-

ness hours.

-Yes, that is something that would suit me if I were running about New York hankering after a shepherd's-plaid suit. Being particularly interested in this little piece of goods here, the shepherd's-plaid doesn't get one half cent's worth of grip on my young affections.

T. -C .- I would n't mind having that English basket pattern, if I were n't afraid of falling through the checks and hurting the sidewalk.

stay there, so far as I am concerned.

Ť.—... ......

C .- I'll take your word for it that you can make me a suit off that piece of small check. The question is: will you? I have heavy money to put on it that you won't.

C.—How would I like a black coat and white trousers? First-rate! All my life I have felt a vague craving for a black coat and white trousers. It is only partially satisfied by the possession of three suits of that kind which I have at home. But, my friend, I'm going to crave a while yet; and don't you go and labor under any delusion about it.

C .- Yes, my friend, I have been trying to hint to you-to intimate, as it were, in a vague manner, that I want this bit of stuff here.

-No, not the other piece-this piece.

-Yes, this piece here; not that piece there.

C.—Every time!

C .- I want it cut like this suit I have on now.

C.-No, sir, you are mistaken. That is not last year's fashion; that is the fashion of three years ago. That fashion settled down on me

for a permanency some time since.

C.—Yes, a three-button cut-away would look well on me; but it would look a long sight better off me.

C.—I know this cut doesn't suit my style. I don't want it to. I'm not consulting my own taste. When these clothes get worn out, I am going to give them to a tramp of my acquaintance. It is his style I want them to suit.

T.—.... C.—I do mean to say so; and what is more, I want to introduce you to the trampgentlemanly, refined, high-toned tramp he is, too.

duce you to that tramp? Well, because his conversation would edify you. Your intellect doesn't seem fully developed. He could brace up on your neglected education, and teach you to come in when it rains, and other little trifles of that sort. Day-day, Tailor!

QUOTH JASPER (aged 20): The jolly days, when all the fellows go Away from this hot town, And 'mash' some village maiden, don't you know, Dressed up in gingham gown, And guy the farmers, who're so jolly green Beside our city chaps, so shrewd and keen. QUOTH BELLE (aged 17):

The lovely time, when every stylish girl, Unless her father 's 'broke, Delights to haste from fashion's giddy whirl, And live with country folk, And, on the rustic beaus, try all the arts, With which in Fall she'll conquer rich chaps' hearts.

QUOTH JIM (aged 11): Oh, it's those bully days when boys can run, And swim, and row, and fish, And play out-doors, however hot the sun, As long as they may wish,

And when mama won't care, although she knows We're getting tanned and spoiling our good clothes.

Or, at the brook when both our feet are bare, Can paddle in the stream, and ma not care.



"Tis now the artist takes his pencils, His easel, stool, and all utensils Necessary For an airy Woodland chromo Full of glory,
Which he'll call Placid Como, Or Maggiore In the Fall.

Now come the pleasant days When in the woodland ways With the rose,
With the rose,
And on the starry nights
The "skeeter," full of bites,
With keenest rapture lights On your nose.

#### WHAT IS SUMMER?

A FAMILY SEXTETTE, SUITABLE FOR THE LATE SEASON.



QUOTH PATERFAMILIAS: The dreary time when I must leave my home, Where things are to my taste, And to some wretched rural homestead roam, Some doleful country waste. And there be put in a small room to sleep, And fed on food that's dreadful cheap.

**OUOTH MATERFAMILIAS:** The time when we can fasten blind and door, And let the Jacksons know That we have gone to rusticate once more, (They can't afford to go); Poor food and rooms we must endure awhile, So long as summer boarding is in style.

QUOTH MAY (aged 8): The real nice time when girls can play like boys, And not a bit be hurt. When we can run, and romp, and make a noise. And build pies out of dirt,

ARTHUR LOT.

#### THE LAGER BEER STRIKE.



It is Not Surprising that the Strike was Unsuccessful, Considering what a "Solid Front" the Brewers Presented.

#### FITZNOODLE IN AMERICA.

No. CLXXVII. MR. G. W. CHILDS.



Ya-as, Jack and I were invited the othah day to have some dinnah with a fellaw who wesides ne-ah the neighbourwing town of Philadelphia.

His name is aw George Washington Childs, and he is the pwopwietah of an advertising perwiod-

ical and a witah of poetwy that is generwally wequired by the fwiends of people who die: obituarwy verse, ye know.

He is said to be verwy wich and I can weadily believe the weport, faw this countwy house of his is, 'pon my soul, not half badly arwanged, by Jove! and does considerwable cwedit to the taste of a meah ordinarwy newspapah man.

He has fwequently asked me to visit him, and I have invarwiably wefused, because I was not desirwous of taking the trouble, or of ex tending my acquaintance—it is too large alweady - but hang it! ye know, what is a fellah to do when the invitation is wepeated, and a countwy house weceives the name of the seat of my old and intimate fwiend, the Duke of B b-buckingham-Wootton, ye know? I could not verwy well wefuse, so we aw went.

There was an exceedingly curwious collection of people to weceive us. An ex-American ambassadah, named John Welsh, who is also, stwange to say, in the sugah trade; a law officer of the cwown - I mean the aw Wepublic—Mac Veagh, if I wemembah arwight, is his nameand a numbah of othah persons of gweatah or lessah wealth wecently acquired, and some of them, I should judge, were tolerwably wespectable. A numbah of these individuals pwofessed to be farmahs; but there seemed nothing especially clodhopping or countwified about their dwess-perwhaps they had put on othah clothes by the occasion.

We diped in a tent which extended fwom the house which was decorwated with the flags of forweign nations, and I was wathah amused at some of the conversation which went on

A fellaw called Shortbwidge began talking about the cost of cweam, and said he was quite sure it was maw expensive than some descwip-

tions of champagne. The majorwity of the guests pwesent seemed to measure everwything by money, and it gwew to be wathah a baw to he-ah the constant weference to dollahs.

A aw Mr. Wheeler, who is, I believe, chairman of the board of dirwectahs of some bank, advised Jack and me pwivately not to put our twust in money. I wondah what the d-d-devil induced him to make this extwaordinarwy wemark to us aw. I nevah have put my twust in money.

Aftah wanderwing about the gwounds, I again inspected the wesidence, and the bwicà-bwac and everwything about it met to a gweat extent with my appwoval.

In conversation with my host, I learnt that he had wisen fwom a pwintah's boy, or something of the kind, to be verwy wich and that he always wushed to welcome distinguished forweignahs to Amerwica. When he went to Eurwope they entertaired him in weturn, and that is how he acquired such an extensive acquaintance and weputation.

Of course, it is utterly impossible that these gwand fwiends can associate with him on equal terms, but such gweat people are nevah so particulah about Amerwicans as they are about their own countwymen.

Faw instance, when Mr. Childs was in Gweat Bwitain my fwiend Buckingham showered on him gweat hospitality; this is the weal weason Mr. Childs called his place "Wootton."

We left by an evening twain; not, howevah, befaw our host had pwomised to wite obituarwy verses to our memorwies when we were laid in our gwaves aw.

Now do the clouds move in lazy argosies down the placid cobalt, and the rose scatters its petals in the mossy wood, and the small-boy plays hookey, goes swimming in the brook all day and becomes so hungry that he can almost relish broken castor oil bottles. And that is probably the reason that he thinks it such fun.

HERRICK wanted a laurel to grow on his grave, but we are not so particular as Bob was. We'd be very well satisfied with an amorous cabbage set out in a beer keg.

# JUST OUT! Price 25 Cents.

#### ANOTHER CHARGE OF BRIBERY.

TWO LETTERS RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF "PUCK."

SKANEATELES, N. Y., March 26, 1881.

Received your reminder of expiration of subscription. I shall not want Puck for the coming year. If Puck had remained neutral in politics, as it was when I subscribed last March, I should have continued. But as I am in politics what is known as a Democrat, Fuck was turned entirely over to the Republicans at the last Presidential election. I have no doubt but hat it paid well to do so.

Respectfully, E. N. LESLIE.

SKANEATELES, N. Y., June 14, 1881.

Messrs, Keppler & Schwarzmann:

Gentlemen-I enclose check for five dollars. Please renew my subscription to Puck, provided you can send me the back numbers from the date of the expiration of my last number, which, as far as I can ascertain, is March 23, Respectfully,
EDMUND N. LESLIE. 1881.

#### AN UNFORTUNATE AFTERTHOUGHT.

We are now on the threshold of an important discovery-the discovery of a new parasite, trichina equi, or, in plain English: horse trichinæ.

PUCK, with his usual farsightedness, now most ositively declares that the new discovery will be made within a few days in France, and perhaps simultaneously in England.

The fact is that pauvre France almost went crazy with jealousy over the recent victory of our compatriot J. R. Keene's b. c. Foxhall in the race for the "Grand Prix de Paris."

First the American pigs beat their French cousins on the pork market to pieces, and now the American horses come triumphantly to the front.

Why not, then, as in the first case, to avoid the further competition of Americans, stop the importation of American horses by a decree of the government on the ground of the aboveprophesied new discovery? It is true, Frenchmen don't eat so much horse-meat as they do frogs, and as this afterthought spoils all the beautiful points of this article, we here desist from making any further comments.

#### HINTS FOR DINERS.

1. Appear amiably abstinent, although almost all abstemiousness aggravates appetite, and always act amusingly, although appetitive, and among appetible articles.

2. Eat every esculent, except earthapples, even elephants' ears, evading especially every empyreumatical eatable.

3. Imagine inate imperfections in inn-keepers, indicating irredeemable indulgence in inebriety.

4. Odors of oysters, or onions, or omelettes,

often obtrude on olfactory organs of occupants of offices; ought one obstinately offend others' olfactory organs, or order oatmeal on objections

5. Usually, under umbrageous umbrellas, use uberous umble-pie.

A LONG ISLAND bardlet sings in a poem that reaches back and takes in many a handful of his happy childhood:

The cats we would at night stone, Way up at shady Whitestone, In the summer sweet and frolicful When the kids were sadly colicful.

#### MRS. FLYNN'S BABY: OR, "DINNER LATE AS USUAL."

Hush! me d'arie, while I cull ye Swate song-posies, that will lull ye To soft slumber an' swate rest. There! me darlin', don't be kapin' Those poor little eyelids papin', Sink to rest on mother's breast, Sink away to rest, Sink to rest!

Now the shtars will soon be shinin'. Now the shars will soon be shinin,
Their bright wrathes of light entwinin',
Pretty playthin's in the shkye,
All fur baby, all fur d'arie.
He must slape, an' not be w'ary,
He shall have 'em by an' by, Av he quiet lie— Lullaby!

Pretty baby's slapin' swately, Tuck him in his crib so nately, Lave him to his baby drames. When he wakens mother 'll hare him, Sittin' by the fireside nare him. She a guardeen angel names, Watchin' o'er his drames— Swatist drames!

Whisht! A step on the piazza! Whish! A steep on the plazza!
Daddy's comin', an' he has a
Very fiendish look within
His ugly eyes, a cushla, darlin'.
Howly Mother! what a snarlin'!
Now the circus will begin—
\*Ha! ha! Sail in and win, Mrs. Flynn!

C. C. STARKWEATHER.

\* The last two lines are supposed to be uttered by the chorus. But it is not a Greek chorus, at least not so Greek as the rest of the song.

#### ROMANCE AND REALITY.

GUESS all that the cottage wants to make it look real comfortable and rural-like is a few plants-kitchen-stuff and such like -and I don't see why I shouldn't have 'em."

There was certainly no reason why Mr. Joe Blakewids should not gratify his tastes. He lived at Ctawket, on the picturesque coast of a neighboring State. His cottage was strictly a marine residence, being situated right on the beach, and although the air was salt and at the same time fresh enough, the surroundings were not as strikingly inter-

esting as what one usually looks for and associates with villas by the sea.

Not that any fault was to be found with the noble expanse of ocean which almost surrounded the cottage-that was of the very finest description of salt water; but on the land side the woods, forests, vegetation and foliage generally were, so to speak, not luxuriant in growth, which gave a rather bare and bleak look to the landscape.

Mr. Blakewids, in spite of having passed some years of his life in the profession of rum-selling, was of a utilitarian as well as an æsthetic turn of mind. He became sensible of the deficiencies in the *entourage* of his mansion, and resolved to remedy them forthwith.

This is why Mr. Blakewids determined to buy an assortment of field and garden seeds, and thus transform his Ctawket house into a first-class Paradise.

He carefully inspected several seed stores, and ultimately fixed on

one that made a special specialty of ex-hibiting highly finished chromos of the choice and gigantic fruit and vegetables that grew from the seeds it sold. He was not precipitate in making up his mind as to what he should purchase, but he did it at last. He bought a quart of seed of "Early Min-nesota," sweet corn, pounds of "Crook-neck" squash and pints of "Possum Nose" pumpkins. apple and pear trees that would only yield the largest fruit, and

strawberry-plants, the produce of which would be mistaken for "General Grant" tomatoes.

Mr. Joe Blakewids felt happy, when, loaded with his seeds, he took

the weekly boat for Ctawket, after having passed a week in New York selecting them. "The old woman will feel

kinder glad, I reckon, when she sees all these big plants, trees and bushes springing up around her. I guess I'll do the gardening myself—I'll not allow anybody to interfere. My Ctawket cottage, before I've got through with it, 'll be as interesting to look at as Central Park. And then we'll be able to sell the vegetables and fruit we don't use. It was the boss idea."

Mr. Blakewids planted his seeds and cuttings, and then gave a loose rein to his imagination.

He saw everything had grown and had reached perfection. He Tom Thumb by the side of the gigantic pumpkins and squashes. The corn had ripened until the top of each cob had "touched the stars." The strawberries much more than proved their right to their name, for they were "veritable" mastodonic Black-Giants.



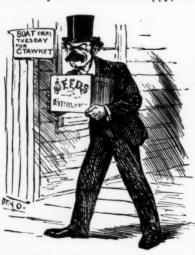
As for the apples and pears they were so large that the trunks of the trees which bore them fairly bent under the weight. A howling wilderness had been transformed into a Garden of Eden-and Mr. Blakewids liked the picture, although its features were not apparent, and would not be for some time to come; but there is no charge for indulging in imagination. If there were, Mr. Blakewids's bill would not have been a light one.

The seeds being sown, and the cuttings planted, developments were awaited with anxiety. The developments did not hurry themselves up—but Mr. Blakewids was possessed of patience. His patience was rewarded after a few months of waiting, when tiny points of green began to show themselves just in the spot where the seeds had been deposited in the certh. in the earth. Two or three weeks more caused the green points to grow a little higher. But Mr. Blakewids's confidence in his seedsman began to diminish. The chances for a Garden of Eden, Elysian Fields, and Forests of Arden became rather slim, With the naked eye the difficulty of telling what particular variety of vegetation had taken it into its head to flourish in a small way was so great that Mr. Blakewids had to call in the aid of a magnifying glass to find out what the soil was really producing.



Not having studied botany or horticulture, he found this by no ans an easy matter.

At last accounts the general appearance of the surroundings of Mr. Blakewids's marine residence at Ctawket was unchanged.



#### A SUMMER SYMPHONY.

UMMER has been pirouetting around us for a long time, but we believe it has settled now for all it is worth. We believe it has hauled in its gang-plank, blown the last whistle, and is on its voyage to Rockaway at the rate of eight knots an hour, with a couple of shock-haired Tuscans fiddling "Pinafore" on the quarter-deck, and the three-card-monte man plying his potent game in the vicinity of the bar that is dispensing foam at five cents

a mug.

The smoke-stacks have been repainted, and red rings help them to put on effulgence. Canary birds are pouring their stereotyped melody in the ladies' cabin, which has been fitted up with Eastlake furniture, and Turkish rugs, and deftly-flowered majolica ornaments that lull the passenger to soothing visions. The sandwiches are as thick as usual, and are dispensed by a girl with a Greek face, an Arabian eye, a patent leather countenance, a Polish accent, a St. Louis ear, and a Chicago foot that covers the ground with delightful phrasing. The lemonade has captured the spirit of the circus-poster, and, like the goat, is noted for its strength. The goat is Herculean. It can be taken through straws with some degree of comfort; but, for the sake of safety, a person should be very careful, and remember that only last week a man drank so much of it that the ice set in on him, and he took a cold from which he will not recover for some time, although he is now taking lots of hot stuff as a counter-irritant. The technique of the chowder cook has been materially improved and strengthened by his visit to Dresden; but he shows the influence of the Carlo Dolci method, which, however, will probably wear off before the season is over, if he is not killed by some infuriated individual who will have been almost paralyzed by swallowing a straw hat for

The boat will run regularly, and time tables on gold-leaf may be had at the main office.

The vines are twining around the hemi-demisemi-gods in the garden, and they quaver as though stricken with a sort of ærial palsy. They shake their petals even as the sporting man shakes the dice, but they don't lose anything by the operation. Just as the wind steals through them and strikes up a sort of dreamy, four time waltz, the matron comes out and hangs something upon it to dry—some ludi-

crous garment that looks as though it must have been invented for a fat woman, and when it is thrown rudely over the vine-robed Juno it rather gets a four-horse power laugh on her. The morning glory steals softly up the string and peeps shyly through the kitchen oriel, and its fragrant soul just dances around on ripples of merriment at seeing the hired man making himself solid with the cook.

The goat can not be sunstruck. If you want to strike him at all you must do it with a club if you can get a sufficiently short range, or with a stone if you can't get near him. He loves hot weather. He will stand in the middle of a field and gaze upon the sun like a fire worshipper, while he whisks his brief narrative and munches a stove-pipe.

#### NOTHING FOR HIM, ANYWAY.



We once had a goat who was rather familiar. And he had a chain lightning digestion. We used to turn him out in the yard in the spring instead of cleaning it—he would make a splendid street commissioner. Well, once he came in the kitchen and grabbed my gold watch—one which I valued on account of its presentation to me by my grandmother in consideration of my not smoking until my nineteenth year. Well, as soon as he swallowed it he ran away and refused to be captured. The watch would be digested in two hours. So I went up stairs, put a flannel shirt on a spoon hook and trolled for him from the roof. He soon took the bait, was hauled off the ground, anchored in the air, and was the most pendulous goat you ever saw. Then he was carefully edited with a scythe and the watch regained. What beauty is to woman, and cash to a new dramatic paper, the arabesque-flowered goat is to summer, and don't you make any mistake about it, either.

R. K. Munkittrick.

# JUST OUT! PUCK ON WHEELS Price 25 Cents.

#### A SYMPATHIZER WITH THE STRIKERS.



TOMATO-CAN TRAMP, to his "Pard" about to drain a keg:—HOLD ON, BILL, WHATCHER GOIN' TO DRINK-THAT AIN'T UNION BEER!

#### RHYMES OF THE DAY.

MILT OFF.

Lawn-tennis players cannot fairly state:
"They also serve who only stand and wait."

INDISCRETION.
Oh, cold is Bradley's day—
However could he do it?
He gave the job away,
And everybody knew it!

A. H. O.

REVISED VERSION.

MARY had a little lamp,
And tried to blow it out;
The paper states that Mary went
Right up the golden spout.

—Chicago Tribune.

Mary was a little lame,
For she had roller-skated,
And as she limping homewards came,
Her pa her castigated.

VENGEANCE.

Like the boys in the school with a rattan
So drove Corbin the Jews from Manhattan;
Now the beach-eating wave
Drives Corbin the brave,
And avenges the people he sat on.
F. C. M.

TERRA INCOGNITA.

"Our streets are to be cleaned at once," said Jim;
"The new Commissioner will brush and hoe

them,"
"Let's hope that that report's untrue," quoth

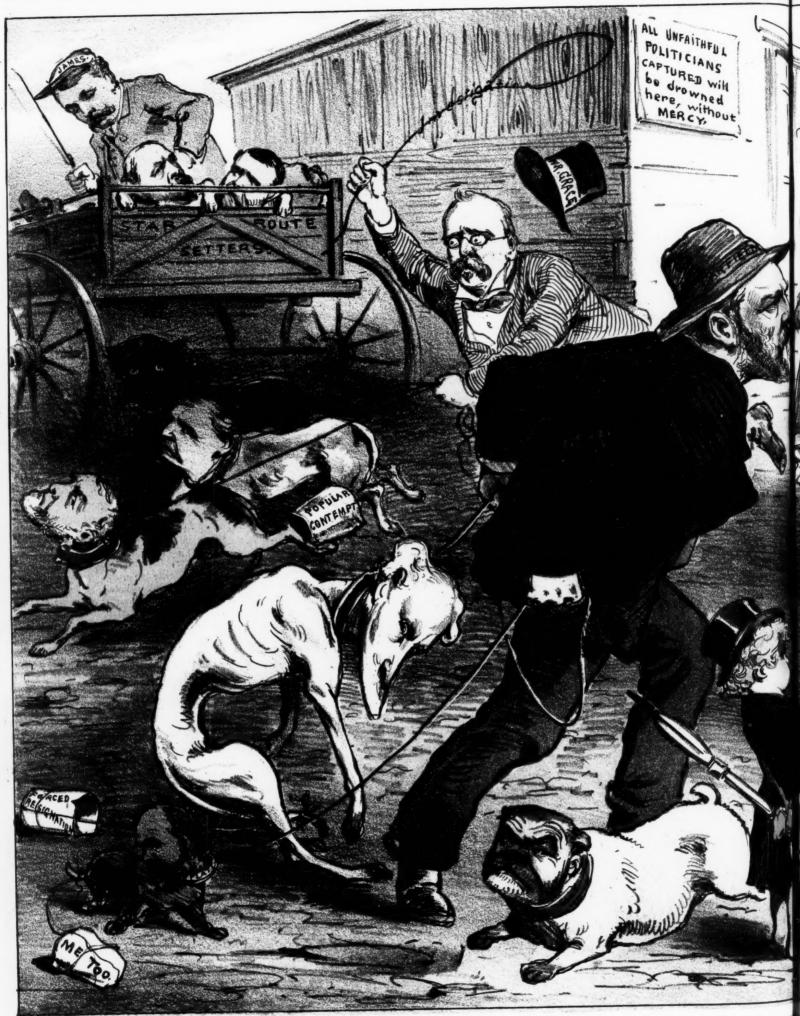
Tom;
"For, if they should be cleaned, we'd never

know them." A. L.

LIVERPOOL has just been indulging in a little plot. Now, that is just about where Liverpool has the sweet-scented drop on the average play.

Now doth the clerk waltz around like a beheaded Shanghai, when he discovers that business is bracing up so that it will be utterly impossible for him to get a vacation.

THE philosopher doesn't live who can tell the exact reason why it is that as soon as the weather begins to be hot, a man gets about five times as much sand in his shoes as he does when it is ordinarily cool.



THE KIND OF DOG-CATCH

PTK.



TCH WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE.

#### PUCK.

#### SONNETS ON COLORS.

No. IV.-YELLOW. FAIR is the faint wan yellow in the west, The last pale radiance of departing day; The buttercups a-blossom all in May Are fair: and with a keen æsthetic zest I look at lemon-skins, while I digest The lemon pie. Fair in its disarray I find the flaxen hair where zephyrs play; And yellow polka-dots bestrew my vest. Yellow my neck-ties are; my jaundiced cheek Boasts the same hue; and buckskin underclo'es I also wear, and studs of yellow pearl. And low, yet lovingly, here let me speak One word of worship for my yellow rose-My topaz gem-my little yaller girl! V. HUGO DUSENBURY,

#### AMUSEMENTS.

Professional Poet.

Mr. Walter Emerson is a cornet virtuoso, and he does his virtuosoing at Koster & BIAL's Concert HALL, in connection with Neuendorff's Grand Orchestra, which discourses sweet music nightly.

The Bey of Tunis has appointed his court buffoon to the post of Administrator of Religious Corporations. The additional work, however, will not interfere with Mr. Talmage's regular Sunday circus, which will be given every week in Brooklyn.

The METROPOLITAN CONCERT HALL advertises itself as the coolest house in the city. We have not noted the temperature, but during the recent weather it must have been very cold. But the absence of caloric is compensated for by the excellence of Mr. Rudolf Bial's orchestra.

"The World," at WALLACK's, has tightened its grip on the public, and there is no knowing when it is going to let go. The extraordinary scenic effects and admirable acting go much towards causing such a state of things, to the lively satisfaction of the management and the envy of other theatrical men in the business

Miss Marie Prescott is now resting from the toils undergone during the Salvini season. We say toils, for to support such an artist with any degree of success required not only ability but much hard work. Miss Prescott possesses the ability and was equal to the hard work, and is now in fine training to repeat her triumphs in the Fall as leading lady to the coming Italian tragedian, Rossi.

Mr. Joaquin Miller thinks "The Professor," now being played at the MADISON SQUARE THEATRE, as bright and as new as a nugget of Nevada silver. We cannot altogether agree with the Sierra poet. We are prepared to admit the newness of the drama; but the brightness is not so apparent. But what of that? People go to see it, notwithstanding, and no dramatic author can expect

Mr. G. H. Jessop's drama of "Sam'l of Posen" has still great attraction for theatre-goers. And, as all the theatre-goers are in town, the weather not having as yet permitted them to seek that repose which is only found in summer resort, HAVERLY'S FOURTEENTH STREET THEATRE is filled nightly. Mr. M. B. Curtis's impersonation of Sam'l is as original as it is effective. It now looks as if the piece would run all through the lukewarm weather.

### Answers for the Anxious.

HASELTINE.—She doesn't keep a card-album.

BOB WHITE .- You can get PUCKOGRAPHS Nos. 1, 2 and 3 either by buying PUCK Nos. 201, 205, and 214; or by skirmishing around barber-shops and smouching them.

R. CONKLING .- No, dear sir, we have no room on our staff for a gentleman of distinguished appearance and despondent cast of mind, even at the low rates which you

JACQUES .- We were anxiously waiting for one more Revised Version joke, to make up the even assortment of 10,000, to be sent this week to the OIC man. Your two fill the first lot and start us in on the second.

#### THE CARD COLLECTING CRAZE.

When a man comes home from his daily toil, and strikes the door-mat at just five minutes before dinner-time, it is intensely soothing to him to find his wife seated in the parlor, pasting advertising cards into a huge album; and when she jumps up and throws her arms around his neck and gets him all over with paste, and says:

"Oh, is that you, dear? I didn't know it was so late. I've been pasting cards in all the afternoon. I'll order dinner as soon as I finish this page!"

-then the husband feels happy through all his spiritual being. And occasionally he expresses his joy and amiability by communicating a

gentle impulse to the album which sends it more or less out of the window

The old keramic craze was bad enough; but it had its redeeming features. A discreet husband and father-of-afamily could supply his womankind with extra large pots, and it would be a long time before they were painted and glazed and ready to be put around the house, in everybody's way. Then, too, it was always feasible to set the small boy of the family to smashing the jars, privily and with malice aforethought; and in several other ways the nuisance could be kept within certain limits.

But the new mania has a fatal cheapness about it. There is no keeping it down. It grasps the feminine mind just where the feminine mind is weak-we mean. weakest. The prospect of getting a collection of anything whatever that costs nothing is too much for American women brought up on the twenty-seven-cent store system. And what makes matters worse is that every tradesman and manufacturer encourages the mania-because it helps to advertise the business.

Slommox & Company are certain to have more women encase themselves in those wonderful corsets of their make if an elegantly illuminated advertising card, setting forth the merits of these garments, is well and widely

Indeed, so popular is this mania likely to become that it

J. B. HECK, Maysville, Ky.—You send us two bad

okes, head them "copy," and sign yourself Ours Fra-

ternally. You are either a very cheeky stranger, or else

you have misaddressed your letter and meant to send it to

the Amateur Boys' Gazette and Puzzle Sphinx, Keokuk,

J. F. ZANG, Cumberland, Md. - What have we ever

done to you, dear boy, that you should send us two speci-

mens of English humor-stale specimens at that-to

analyze? We have transferred them to a Bowery firm of

is questionable if it ever can die the natural death of keramics, postage-stamps, or roller-skates.

Consider what an inducement it is for the proprietor of Whangdoodledum's champagne to lavish money on a card printed in all the colors of the rainbow, when the proprietors know that it will figure in the album of half the womanhood of the country!

The liver pad, the honey soap, the cigarette, the new style of glove that adopts this method of proclaiming its virtues is bound to get ahead of the better article that is content to rub along under the old system of newspaper advertising.

It is difficult to know how the whole craze is going to end. Every business man in the country must soon find out that the only way to save himself from bankruptcy is to engage the most expensive artists to make designs for him. If Swankey, who puts up tooth paste, wants to do a larger trade than Smith, who puts up Noyoudont dental wash, he must be prepared to issue a much more gorgeous card than his rival.

The cards will gradually get larger. The young woman who is making a collection will be kept, by competition of would-be advertisers, constantly at work. Each album will require a room for itself, and ultimately a house for itself-and after that the lunatic asylums will need to be enlarged and their number increased.



### A BAD MOUTHFUL.

NEW YORK, June 17th, 1881.

To the Editor of PUCK-Sir:

I am a steady reader of your excellent Puck. It was the first paper that got into my hands, when I a year ago came to this country, and I since have enjoyed every number of it.

Whenever Puck has had occasion to handle foreign languages, it always has done it in a masterly wav: but to-day I find a little conversation alleged to have taken place between Thorwaldsen and Hans Christian Andersen, and as I am a Dane, it had particular interest for me.

Excuse me for saying that you have given your readers a pretty bad mouthful of Danish. You have it thus:

- "Vil De gaætil Balet iaften?"
- " Ikke dette Aften."
  " Ad andet Aften?"
- "God Aften.
- And he lit out. (Og han lyse bort.)
  But it ought to have been thus, in proper Danish:
  "Vil De gan til Ballet iaften?"
- " Nei, ikke iaften."
- " Maaské en anden Aften."
- "God Aften.

And he lit out. (Og han lyste ud.)

I don't know if you will take my remarks ad notam. I make them because I like to see PUCK as faultless as Respectfully,

C. STEENSEN.

#### undertakers, who will see that they are duly buried. That is all we can do for them. "INCOG."—We are happy to reply to your letter:

Is there any truth in the report that you and other publishers have been using your influence to have the Coroners' office moved down town, so as to have them handy when you slay a poet?

Also, if a certain official at Albany, now under investigation for bribery, is guilty, will Sessions of the Senate be held at Sing Sing next Winter?

II .- We consider June punsters as equally guilty with Spring Poets.

#### PUCK ON WHEELS

No. 2. For 1881.

See Advertisement on Page 283 of Puck.

#### ANDROSCOGGIN JIM AND HIS LOVE.

Written expressly for Puck, by ERNEST HARVIER.

CHAPTER VI.
LET NO GUILTY MAN ESCAPE.

HE reader must understand that he (or she) is given, as it were, an excursion ticket with this serial. However far I may get him (or her) in the mazes of this narrative, I give bonds to get him (or her) back safely to where he (or she) started. This is more than most novelette authors are willing to do, and displays a spirit at once subdued, thoughtful and conciliatory. To specify:

thoughtful and conciliatory. To specify:

When the curtain fell on Chapter Five, Araminta was taking a promenade on the prairie in the obvious custody of nineteen untamed, but not untanned red-skins. Androscoggin Jim (who wore, by the way, a poker-dot blue necktie and was, therefore, a subject for no sympathy whatever) was, some distance away, following stealthily with the red-handed lynchers from the bar-room of the "Dakota Wilderness." Lot's wife for looking back became, methinks, a pillar of salt. It must, therefore, be clear even to the rudest intellect that the serial writer who would attempt the same wayward proceeding would suffer in some similar way. And when you consider that the very basis of his professional existence is his freshness, you will observe that the intrusion of salt, as in the case of Mrs. Lot, would bring that all to a most untimely climax. For salt is a specific for freshness, and don't you forget it.

fic for freshness, and don't you forget it.
While loath therefore to look back I believe

you will remember that the last lines of the last chapter represented (however accurately I do not know) Androscoggin Jim and the lynchers in the rather plebeian attitude of putting their ears to the ground.

They had just heard reverberate across the virgin bosom of the boundless prairie a shriek commingling in its character the attributes of a howl, a

shout, a sigh, and a moan.

"Traced," as the detectives would say, it proceeded from Araminta.

(The reader will kindly observe the expediency of ending each instalment of a novelette with a woman's shriek. It is theatrical yet inconsequential).

Well, I say Araminta shrieked. And who is there to contradict me?

If this were a physiological romance, which, by the way, of all things it is not, it would be useful to inquire the peculiar temperament and conditions which led to this shriek being uttered, and a medical diagnosis on the causes of the same.

But it is not. Hence it is simply sufficient to know that Araminta, the heroine of this thrilling romance, exercised at the particular period of which I write one of woman's inalienable perogatives, and shrieked.

CHAPTER VII.
TEN WORDS, COLLECT.

Androscoggin Jim, on hearing this envoy from Araminta, raised his ears from the ground and in all the dignity of a Da-

kota freeholder exclaimed to the lynchers: "Men and brothers, that shriek is a signal of dire distress from our"—he emphasised our—"loved one and is a call to the chivalrous son of the prairie to come to her rescue. Will he tarry? In the days of old brave and valliant men would go through fire and water to save and serve a maiden. Shall we stand idly here? Two and a half per cent times no! Let us advance and hurl these treacherous red-skins to the ground!"

The Dakota lynchers acquiesced to this as they would acquiesce to anything in which they saw a drink or a dollar, and having after the manner of the knights of old sworn eternal fealty to their cause proceeded in the direction of the unnaturalized marauders.

In this era of telegraphs, telephones and promised electric lights space is very easily annihilated. The lynchers led by Androscoggin Jim departed precipitately, and in very little more time than it takes to tell it here were abreast with the vile abductors.

Reader, do you not discern something noble in all this? Is not the defence of woman one of the most beautiful traits of our degenerate humanity? It is, and Androscoggin Jim, although a Maine man, knew it. He felt it. And his soul expanded, his step quickened and his heart overflowed in the presence of this great duty. The lynchers were veritable stalwarts. They felt conscious of the obligation resting upon them, and they took counsel of their whiskey flasks which Androscoggin Jim (a Maine man right down to the ground) had, judiciously, filled. There is no total abstinence law in Dakota.

It is a marvellously exhilarating sight to witness the meeting of these stalwarts and half-

breeds. On one side stood the Tullahoomas imperious and defiant. With them "stood in" Araninta.

On the other side stood the Dakota lynchers and Androscoggin Jim. I do not undertake to say with whom the sympathies of the readers go. There was right as well as might on both sides. It would be difficult to determine which side would be the favorite in the betting. However, the Indians were handicapped by having a woman in their party. This circumstance should not be forgotten.

Araminta neither sighed nor smiled. She felt (and showed it) that she was the fair prize for which both sides were contending, and she realized the policy and expediency of being in good trim. Androscoggin Jim moaned audibly as it flashed across his Maine mind how much was depending on this encounter. Before the combat both sides eyed each other intently. It was the lull before the storm. Each was measuring visually the other's forces. I hope they were satisfied with the results of their investigation. It is a cyclone which blows no one any good.

#### CHAPTER VIII.

VÆ VICTIS!

A ray of light. Darkness. A peal of thunder. A flash of lightning. The fight had begun.

With the very best wishes in the world to be romantic and to give the reader his full money's worth in this story, I cannot express much admiration for the method of fighting displayed by either side. Indians, regarded from the writings of Captain Mayne Reid and Eli Perkins, are the mighty masters of the great forests primeval. They wander about creation as they list. They breath the free air, drink

from virgin streams, lave in the rivulets along the hillside, slumber in the leafy thickets and cavort in the light of the sun. Base, menial, degrading manual labor they never perform. The prairie is their battle-ground, the rocky-pass their ambush. They live on fish and fowl and herbs, and have no pecuniary transactions. Nothing servile, civilized or business-like enters into their daily lives. They issue no sixty-day notes, give no bills of sale, endorse no sight drafts, seldom go to protest and are never judiciously dispossessed. Nature is the chieftain's sweet-heart. The council-fire is his inspiration, a horse and a dog are his companions. His quiver is ever full. his arrow ever drawn, his tomahawk poised and

his sabre drawn to rescue the weak, the suffering and the oppressed.

But, as a matter of fact, the Indian of the present day is a destitute tramp, an Ishmael who lives on the bounty of the Department of the Interior and gets gin and beef and blankets in payment for his silence. He takes what is given him and

everything else he can find.

Such is the Indian of 1881. To see him is to contemplate the beauties of civilization. But to see the resident Dakota lyncher is to reconsider, as it were. For gazing most dispassionately on the two it takes a man of marvellous ingenuity to tell which is indeed the most worthless and degraded, the aboriginal tramp or

#### PLUMBER AND PLUMBED.



WINTER-PLUMBER MAKING MONEY.

SUMMER-PLUMBER SPENDING IT.



No SUMMER-TRIP FOR THE UNFORTUNATE PARTIES WHO HAD PLUMBING DONE.

the civilized tramp. When, however, a Maine man is cast into the scales on the side of civilization you hesitate no longer, but award the red-skin the faint credit of being a little less a subject of sympathy. Reader, there is no use trying to be romantic under impossible conditions. Gallantly excepting Araminta— for she was a lady despite the misfortune of her nativity—I will not pretend to disguise the fact that this assemblage was a meeting of tramps.

Had the whole party (Androscoggin Jim) been, by the action of a howitzer, swept from the surface of the prairie, humanity would not have had any cause to grieve. This, however, is confidential. I would ask you to let it go no farther, but as everyone reads Puck this is entirely unnecessary and obviously superfluous. Timed by a Jörgensen stemwinder, the contest lasted twenty-seven minutes, and as I feel myself utterly incapable of doing justice to the theme, I will surrender for the next chapter the pen to M. Victor Hugo who, in his own inimitable style, will describe the occurrence. Les eaux sont basses chez lui. (Low water.)

#### CHAPTER IX.

REVISED EDITION.

The clock struck ten minutes past four. sparrow was blown by. A mock-turtle awaked. It was Hell on wheels.

Suddenly the atmosphere changed. Jacques d'Androscoggine took his revolver from his belt. Cimeter of civilization! Peace! He knew he was beloved. Such were the views of Jacques.

Conceive butchers on one side. A colosseum on the other. The enigmatical, hyperbolical, fight of the infinite was there before me. 1 sneezed.

On one side civilization, intelligence, culture, hope, talent, prowess, power, self-consciously right, the community of soul, the co-partnership of interests, peace, the prison of the rec-tangular Republics, the finite yawning, the infinite asleep, the peaceful hamlet, the hush of the school-rooms, the reverberation of the anvils, a bell tolling in the tower of a shrine, railroads, progress, ships laden with the treasures of the mind's storehouse, truth, invincible shielded by right, perpetual, green grass, smiling meadows, mothers singing the mines of gold, the harvests of wheat, myself—everything!

On the other: pigmies, intelligence manacled, butchery rampant, the deserted village, the stagnant stream, tramps eating, the church-yards falling into decay, old men dyeing their hair, blood, disputes, contests, wrangles, gore in tons, deceit, lying, shame, a sigh breaking from infinitude and heralded by the enigma of nationalities, t.e. the syllogism of the syllabus, space, fury,-nothingness!

There they were contending. See! see! The eclipse of combat. It is too much for me. My ... is broke. V. H.

The Indians had put Androscoggin Jim and the lynchers to flight and were once more masters of the field and of Araminta. Andros-coggin Jim's revolver had kicked. He was

[To be continued in our next.]

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'She comes for the wash, sir,' he said. "' Does she generally come in a coupé?' I inquired.

"" Why, no, sir,' said my man, very much surprised; 'her mother, the washerwoman, is very poor.'
"' Just then my own carriage drove round

Just then my own carriage drove round for me, and as it passed the other I could see the lady eagerly sorting the soiled clothes in the coupé on her lap. This excited my curiosity, so I had my driver follow along behind. Pretty soon the coupé stopped, and the dirty little girl got out with the bundle and went into a brown stone front on Twenty-ninth Street. The coupé then kept straight on to Wall Street and stopped in front of a broker's office, where the lady alighted with my entire lot of soiled shirt-cuffs in her hand."
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"Exactly; shirt-cuffs. I saw through it all in a moment. Yousee, I am, or rather was, a great hand while at dinner, or at the theatre in the evening, to think over my plans for the next day, and to make memorandums on my cuffs to consult before starting down town in the morning. My washerwoman had found this out, and had been quietly 'coppering' my game by means of my cuffs for over a year."

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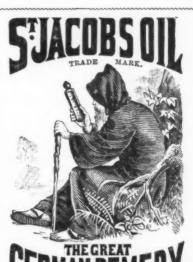
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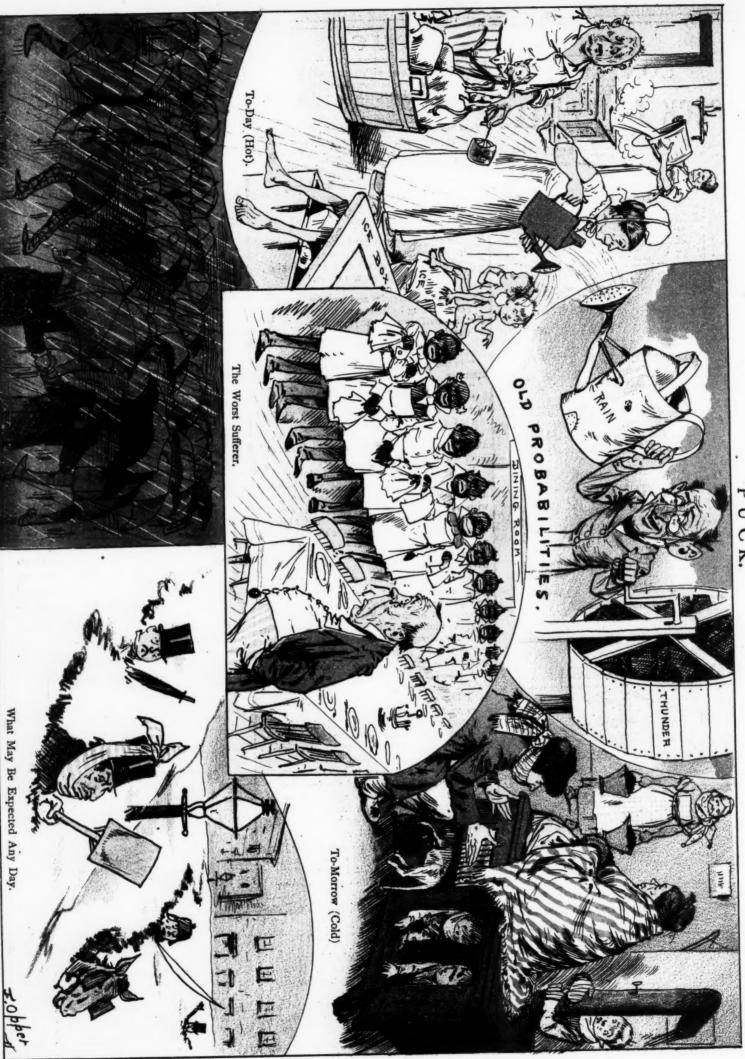
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